

Summary of the Invention

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Brief Description of the Drawings

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Detailed Description of Preferred Embodiments

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Abstract of the Disclosure

The invention relates to a novel device for dispensing adhesive tape or similar in strips. The device is provided with a receptacle for a role of adhesive tape, at least one feed roller, which has a ring groove and a bending roller, which works together with the feed roller and has a ring protrusion. A first toothed bar, which is connected to a lever and which drives the feed roller, is also provided, together with a cutting element. Said cutting element can be triggered by a second toothed bar which is connected to the lever using a first gear wheel. The two toothed bars are provided on both sides of the lever. At least one of the toothed bars is also guided in a lower connecting link which is situated in the lower area of the housing and in an upper connecting link which is located on the lever in such a way that the toothed bar indirectly engages with the feed roller and the first gear wheel during the downward movement of the lever and disengages during the upward movement thereof.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend Claim 1-11 as follows:

1. (Amended) An apparatus for dispensing strips of adhesive tape with a take-up device taking up an adhesive tape roll, with at least one transporting roll provided with a circumferential groove and with a folding roll provided with a circumferential bulge, a first toothed rack connected with a lever, which drives at least one transporting roll, a cutting means, which can be activated by a second toothed rack via a first gear wheel, wherein the two toothed racks are